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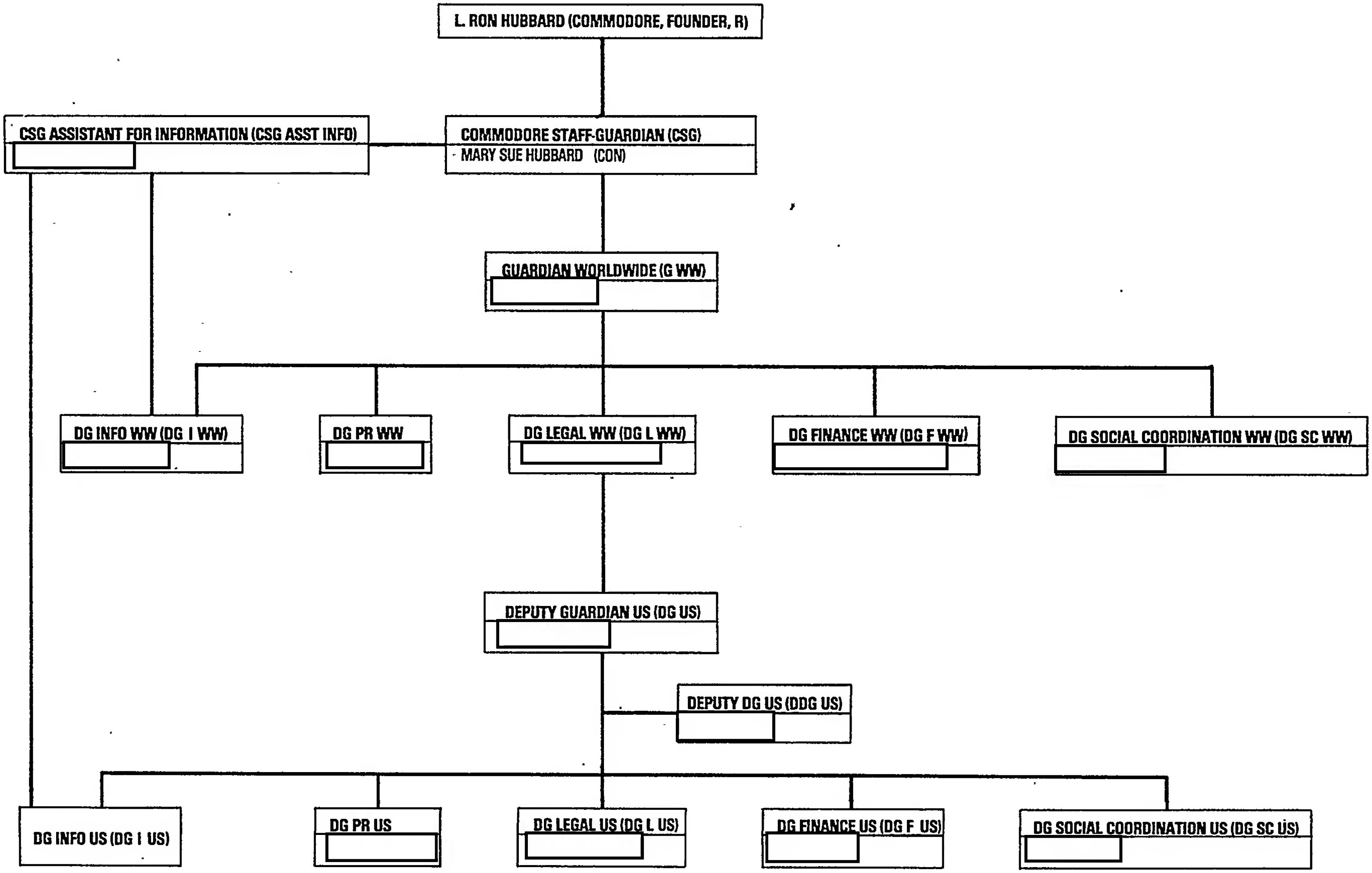
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RE TAMPA TELCAL TO WASHINGTON FIELD, NOVEMBER 21, 1979.

DUE TO THE COMPLICATED NATURE OF CAPTIONED INVESTIGATION AND RELATED CASES IN OTHER DIVISIONS, ON NOVEMBER 20, 1979, AUSA [redacted] MDF, TAMPA, FLORIDA, RECOMMENDED WFO CASE AGENT [redacted] TRAVEL TO TAMPA TO BRIEF [redacted] AND USA GARY L. BETZ, AND TAMPA CASE AGENT ON FACETS OF SITOL INVESTIGATION WHICH PERTAIN TO THE FORTHCOMING PROSECUTION IN CAPTIONED MATTER AT TAMPA. SACS AT TAMPA AND WFO CONCUR IN THE NEED FOR SUCH TRAVEL AND UACB, SA [redacted] WILL PROCEED TO TAMPA FOR SAID BRIEFING TO BE HELD NOVEMBER 27 AND 28, 1979.

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By way of background, in August, 1978, 11 Church of Scientology (COS) members were indicted in Washington, D.C., on various Federal charges in connection with their break-in at several Government offices (including those of the Department of Justice and the Internal Revenue Service) in Washington and elsewhere to obtain secret files containing information about the church. COS operatives also infiltrated Government agencies such as DEA and Coast Guard Intelligence Service to conduct burglaries, buggings and spying operations. The plot was allegedly directed by the Church's highest officials in the United States and England, including Mary Sue Hubbard, wife of the Church's founder. The indictments were based primarily upon documents and evidence seized during the execution of search warrants at COS locations in Los Angeles, California, in 1977. The trial concerning this matter was scheduled to begin in USDC on 9/24/79 with Judge Charles R. Richey presiding.

Attached from Washington Field advises that all subjects indicted in this matter, with the exception of [redacted] and [redacted], appeared before Judge Richey on 10/26/79 and agreed to stipulated record of trial provided by the Government. Seven of the subjects were found guilty of conspiracy to obstruct justice. Another subject was found guilty of conspiracy to steal Government documents, commit burglary of Government offices and wiretaps of Government offices. One other subject was found guilty of Theft of Government Property. All subjects released on personal recognizance bond. No date set for sentencing. Subjects [redacted] and [redacted] are both in England awaiting extradition. Judge Richey made the remainder of documents seized in Los Angeles on 7/8/77, public record. Documents will be available to the public and held by the Clerk of the Courts' Office, USDC, Washington, D.C.

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REFERENCE TAMPA TELETYPE TO THE BUREAU AND WASHINGTON FIELD DATED NOVEMBER 21, 1979.

SPECIAL AGENT [redacted] WILL DEPART WASHINGTON NATIONAL AIRPORT VIA NATIONAL AIRLINES FLIGHT 457 AT 9:35 A.M. NOVEMBER 27, 1979, AND ARRIVE TAMPA AT 11:35 A.M., NOVEMBER 27, 1979. SA [redacted] WILL THEREAFTER CONFER WITH AUSA [redacted] AND TAMPA CASE AGENT REGARDING FACTS OF INVESTIGATION WHICH PERTAIN TO PROSECUTION OF CAPTIONED MATTER.

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Five Scientologists Given Prison Terms

By Kenneth R. Walker
Washington Star Staff Writer

Four officials of the Church of Scientology are in jail and the wife of the church's founder faces a possible five-year term as a result of their conviction of plotting to steal government documents.

U.S. District Judge Charles R. Richey imposed the sentences yesterday after comparing the defendants to those involved in the Watergate case.

Richey ordered the immediate jailing of four church members after sentencing them yesterday. Sentencing of four other church members was to take place later today.

He also ordered five years in prison for Mary Sue Hubbard, the wife of church's founder, L. Ron Hubbard, but gave her five days to seek an order from the U.S. Court of Appeals that would permit her to remain free until her legal appeals are exhausted.

Richey also said that he would decide within 90 days of the start of her sentence whether the prison term should be modified.

The four others each received sentences of four years and a $10,000 find. They are Henning Heldt, Duke Snider, Gregory Willardson, Richard Weigand.

All of the defendants expressed remorse for the crimes, but each claimed to have been motivated by the belief that the federal government was out to destroy the church.

Prosecutors, however, claimed that the church attacked not only government agencies. "It was anyone who was critical of them — individuals as well as private trade associations," said one.

Eight of the nine defendants were convicted by Richey Oct. 26 of conspiracy to obstruct justice or conspiracy to obtain government documents illegally. The ninth was convicted of a misdemeanor theft count.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Raymond Banoun had urged the judge to impose the maximum five-year jail terms on the defendants.

Attorneys for all the church officials sentenced yesterday pleaded with Richey to allow their clients to perform community service in lieu of jail terms.

But the judge denied the requests, calling the crimes "heinous." Richey also said he hoped to deter others from committing similar crimes.

Richey denied requests from defense attorneys to allow the defendants to remain free on bond pending appeal of their convictions.

Richey called any appeals "frivolous" and said the defendants were likely to flee if released and that they were dangers to the community.

Following the sentencings, church officials released a statement calling the jail terms a "mockery of justice."

The conspiracy included stealing documents from the Internal Revenue Service and the Justice Department.

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REFERENCE WFO TELCALL TO BUREAU, DECEMBER 6, 1979.

DEFENDANTS IN THIS MATTER APPEARED BEFORE JUDGE RICHEY, U.S. DISTRICT COURT, WASHINGTON, D.C. (USDC) FOR SENTENCING AT 9:40 A.M. DECEMBER 6, 1979. JUDGE RICHEY ADJOURNED AT APPROXIMATELY 6:30 P.M. AND ONLY FIVE DEFENDANTS HADSBEEN SENTENCED. SENTENCING WILL RECOMMENCE AT 9:05 A.M. DECEMBER 7, 1979.

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DEFENDANT HUBBARD SENTENCED TO FIVE YEARS AND $10,000 FINE. HUBBARD GIVEN STAY OF SENTENCE UNTIL DECEMBER 17, 1979 TO ALLOW HER TO APPLX TO APPELLANT COURT.

DEFENDANT [redacted] EACH SENTENCED FOUR YEARS AND EACHED FINED $10,000. NONE OF THESED FOUR DEFENDANTS WAS ALLOWED TO POST BOND PRIOR TO APPEAL. ALL OF THESE FOUR DEFENDANTS WERE IMMEDIATELY INCARCERATED.

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RE WASHINGTON FIELD TELETYPE TO BUREAU AND RECEIVING OFFICES DECEMBER 6, 1979.

JUDGE RICHEY U.S. DISTRICT COURT, WASHINGTON, D.C. SENTENCED THE REMAINING SUBJECTS IN THIS MATTER ON DECEMBER 7, 1979.

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[redacted] WAS SENTENCED TO FOUR YEARS AND FINED $10,000. [redacted] WAS SENTENCED TO FIVE YEARS AND FINED $10,000. [redacted] SENTENCED TO FIVE YEARS AND WAS FINED $10,000. [redacted] WAS SENTENCED TO ONE YEAR AND $1,000. SIX MONTHS OF [redacted] SENTENCE WAS SUSPENDED. ALL SUBJECTS WERE INCARCERATED IMMEDIATELY ~~SENTENCED DECEMBER 7, 1979~~ WITH EXCEPTION OF [redacted] ~~WHO WAS INCARCERATED~~.

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By way of background, in August, 1978, 11 Church of Scientology (COS) members were indicted in Washington, D.C. (WDC), on Federal charges in connection with their break-in at several Government offices (including those of the Department of Justice and the Internal Revenue Service) in WDC and elsewhere to obtain secret files containing information about the COS. The indictments were based primarily upon documents and evidence seized during the execution of search warrants at COS locations in Los Angeles, California, in 1977. Subjects were subsequently found guilty of various violations including conspiracy to obstruct justice, conspiracy to steal Government documents, theft of Government property, burglary of Government offices, and wiretaps of Government offices.

In attached, WFO advises that sentencing of subjects began 12/6/79, at 9:00 a.m., before USDJ Richey, WDC. Mary Sue Hubbard (wife of COS founder L. Ron Hubbard) sentenced to five years in prison and fined $10,000. Hubbard given stay of sentence until 12/17/79. [redacted] [redacted] were sentenced to four years in prison and each fined $10,000. These four defendants were immediately remanded to custody.

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USDJ Richey adjourned at 6:30 p.m., 12/6/79. Sentencing of remaining subjects will continue at 9:00 a.m., 12/7/79.

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REFERENCES: WFO Report of SA [redacted] 9/14/78, 10/9/78

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Report of: SA [redacted] Office: WASHINGTON, D. C.
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Title: MARY SUE HUBBARD, [redacted] - FUGITIVE, [redacted]
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Character: CONSPIRACY, THEFT OF GOVERNMENT PROPERTY, AIDING AND ABETTING, OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE, FALSE DECLARATIONS BEFORE A GRAND JURY, INTERCEPTION OF AN ORAL COMMUNICATION.

Synopsis:

Transfer of Los Angeles and Washington, D. C., documents set forth. Investigation referenced documents from USDJ Tax Division, Tort Section, Office of Professional Responsibility Interpol, DEA and IRS set forth. Photos of [redacted] hit-and-run accident taken. Bugging equipment seized in search examined coded documents decoded. Hubbard, [redacted] and [redacted] appeared before Judge Richey, USDC, WDC, 10/26/79, and agreed to stipulated record of trial provided by the Government. Hubbard, [redacted] found guilty of one count each of Conspiracy to Obstruct Justice T18 USC-371. [redacted] found guilty of one count of Conspiracy to Steal Government Documents T18 USC-371, 641. [redacted] found guilty of Theft of Government Property - Misdemeanor, T18 USC-641, 2. b6 b7C

On 12/6/79, subjects appeared before Judge Richey for sentencing. On 12/6/79, Hubbard sentenced to five years and fined $10,000, and [redacted] and [redacted] each sentenced to four years and fined $10,000. On 12/7/79, [redacted] sentenced to four years and fined $10,000. [redacted] each sentenced to five years and fined $10,000. [redacted] sentenced to one year with six months suspended, fined $1,000, and given five years probation. b6 b7C

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On October 31, 1979, Special Agent (SA) [redacted] [redacted] was present at the United States Federal Courthouse, John Marshall and Constitution Avenues, Washington, D. C. (WDC), to observe four four-drawered safes moved from Room 2830G to Room 2818B. The four safes contained evidence in the case United States of America v. MARY SUE HUBBARD, Et Al, which was the result of the Los Angeles Office search of July 7, 1977. The four safes were locked and sealed during the entire move, which began at 3:00 p.m. and ended at 3:25 p.m. SA [redacted] left Room 2818B of the United States Courthouse at 3:30 p.m. on October 31, 1979, at which time the four safes remained in a locked position.

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by SA [redacted] mer Date dictated 11/2/79

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All defendents with the exception of [redacted] and [redacted] appeared before Judge Charles Richey, United States District Court (USDC), Washington, D. C. (WDC) and agreed to a stipulated record of trial provided by the Government. Mary Sue Hubbard, [redacted] were found guilty of one count of Conspiracy to Obstruct Justice, Title 18, United States Code (USC) 371. [redacted] was found guilty of one count of Conspiracy to Steal Government Documents, Burglary of Government Offices and Wiretaping of Government Offices. [redacted] was found guilty of one count of Theft of Government Property - Misdemeanor, T18 USC-641, 2.

On December 6, 1976, the defendants appeared before Judge Richey in USDC, WDC for sentencing. Hubbard was sentenced to five years and fined $10,000. Hubbard was given a stay of sentence until December 17, 1979, to allow her to apply for appeal to the Appellate Court. [redacted] and [redacted] were each sentenced to four years and fined $10,000. All were encarcerated immediately with the exception of Hubbard and not allowed to post bond pending appeal. On December 7, 1979, the remaining defendants appeared before Judge Richey for sentencing. [redacted] was sentenced to four years and fined $10,000. [redacted] were sentenced to five years and fined $10,000. All were immediately incarcerated and not allowed to post bond pending appeal. [redacted] was sentenced to one year with six months suspended, fined $1,00 and given five years probation. [redacted] was released to the custody of her parents pending appeal.

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SCIENTOLOGY LESD (TOPS N12)

BY LARRY MARGASAK

WASHINGTON (AP) -- A FEDERAL JUDGE TODAY SENTENCED A SIXTH CHURCH OF SCIENTOLOGY LEADER TO PRISON FOR CONSPIRING TO STEAL GOVERNMENT DOCUMENTS, INFILTRATE FEDERAL AGENCIES AND KIDNAP A CHURCH OFFICIAL WHO DECIDED TO HELP EXPOSE THE CRIMES.

U.S. DISTRICT JUDGE CHARLES R. RICHEY ORDERED MITCHELL HERMANN TO SERVE A FOUR-YEAR PRISON TERM AND PAY A $10,000 FINE.

THREE OTHER CHURCH OFFICIALS OR OPERATIVES AWAITED SENTENCING LATER IN THE DAY.

HERMANN ADMITTED PLACING A BUGGING DEVICE IN AN INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE OFFICE WHERE TAX OFFICIALS WERE DISCUSSING THE CHURCH'S TAX-EXEMPT STATUS.

HERMANN TOLD THE JUDGE THAT HE PERSONALLY PLANTED THE ''BUG'' BECAUSE ''I AT LEAST HAD THE SENSE TO DO IT WITHOUT BUMBLING ABOUT. I FELT IT WAS BETTER IF I DID THIS THAN SOMEONE ELSE BECAUSE I FELT IF SOMEONE ELSE DID IT, IT MIGHT BE DONE IN AN INEPT FASHION THAT WOULD PRECIPITATE A DISASTER.''

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ON THURSDAY, RICHEY SENTENCED FIVE SCIENTOLOGY OFFICIALS TO EITHER FOUR- OR FIVE-YEAR PRISON TERMS AND FINED EACH $10,000. HE SAID THE PUNISHMENT SHOULD BE ''A DETERRENT TO OTHERS.''

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ALL THE DEFENDANTS SENTENCED THURSDAY -- INCLUDING MARY SUE HUBBARD, WIFE OF CHURCH FOUNDER L. RON HUBBARD -- SAID THEY WERE SORRY FOR THEIR CRIMES. ONE, HENNING HELDT, SAID THE CHURCH LEADERS WERE REACTING TO GOVERNMENT ATTEMPTS TO ''DESTROY THEIR RELIGION AND MAKE A MOCKERY OF THEIR BELIEFS.''

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